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Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

ITEM No 37

Subject Authorize award and execution of a 24-month service contract with RDO EQUIPMENT COMPANY, Pflugerville TX, for rental of a front-end loader for the Austin Water Utility Department in an amount not to exceed \$300,840, with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$150,420 each, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$601,680

Amount and Source of Funding Funding in the amount of \$112,815 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility Department. Funding for the remaining fifteen months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required

Additional Backup Material

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D RDO EQUIPMENT CO

For More Information R C Hernandez, Senior Buyer, 974-6434 **Purchasing Language** Lowest bid meeting specification of two bids received

MBE/WBE This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) No subcontracting opportunities were identified, therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation

This contract is for the rental of a front-end loader to be assigned to the Austin Water Utility Department's (AWU) Hornsby Bend Biosolids Management Plant. The front-end loader will be used in the Dillo Dirt operations of the biosolids composting facility. The front-end loader will be used to move material that will be a wet and dry chipped and composted mixture of yard waste, biosolids, dirt, and treated sludge. Though the primary intention for the use of this equipment is for screening and loading of Dillo Dirt, it provides flexibility for use in the windrow operations, as well. This contract includes provisions for full preventative maintenance and repair services by RDO Equipment. The rental contract will allow for the Utility's Dillo Dirt operations to immediately respond to increased production demands or maintenance problems with any existing front end loaders. The rental front end loader will serve as a backup for current operations and will only be rented and used if needed.

MBE/WBE solicited 1/1 MBE/WBE bid 0/0

PRICE ANALYSIS a Adequate competition b Twenty-seven notices were sent including one MBE and one WBE. Two solicitations were issued. Two bids were received with no response from MBE/WBE. c. This is the first rental of this size loader, therefore, there is no price history available. APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION a Lowest bid meeting specifications. b Purchasing concurs with the recommended award herein. c. Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and Internet.

AGENDA DATE 1/11/07 VENDOR NAME RDO Equipment Company

BID TABULATION

<u>VENDOR</u> <u>TOTAL PRICE</u>

RDO Equipment Company \$300,840

Pflugerville, TX

Texana Machinery *\$153,000

Austin, TX

Bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office

^{*}Texana Machinery's bid was considered non-responsive since it did not meet the minimum specifications of the solicitation